

Amendments to the Claims

Please amend the following claims.

1. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for measuring the relative difficulty in donning of a glove comprising:

a glove mount adapted to hold a glove in an open donnable position, the glove mount moveable with respect to a fixed reference, wherein the glove mount comprises two opposed arms connected to one another at a first end of each and terminating at a second end of each in at least one glove seat; and

a device for measuring the effort associated with donning the glove.

2. (Canceled)
3. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the fixed reference comprises a base.
4. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the device comprises a load cell disposed between the glove mount and the fixed reference.
5. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the device collects data on the force exerted between the glove mount and the fixed reference while the glove is being donned.
6. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the device collects data on any of: a force exerted between the glove mount and the fixed reference, linear movement of the glove with respect to the fixed reference, linear movement of the glove mount with respect to the fixed reference, and peak load registered on the glove.
7. (Canceled)

8. (Canceled)

9. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one glove seat is arcuately shaped.

10. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one glove seat is annular.

11. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one glove seat is about one inch to about three inches in length.

12. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one glove seat comprises a textured surface.

13. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the at least one glove seat is any of coated, knurled, ribbed, ridged, striated, and grooved.

14. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 comprising two glove mounts disposed in spaced-apart, opposed relation with respect to the other forming a throat therebetween.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein at least one glove seat on each arm is in opposed relation to at least one glove seat on the other arm.

17. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the arms are manipulable in at least one of: their distance from one another, and their orientation with respect to the fixed reference.

18. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the glove mount is pivotable with respect to the fixed reference.

19. (Canceled)

20. (Canceled)

21. (Canceled)

22. (Previously Presented) An apparatus for measuring the relative difficulty in donning of a glove comprising:

a base;

a glove mount slidably engaged with the base adapted to hold a glove in an open donnable position, wherein the glove mount comprises at least two interconnected arms, each arm being spaced from the other a distance, interconnected at a first end, and each arm terminating at a second end in a glove seat suitable for mounting the glove thereon and holding the glove in the open donnable position; and

a device for acquiring data on the effort associated with donning the glove.

23. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the device comprises a load cell disposed between the glove mount and the base.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein each glove seat is arcuately shaped.

26. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the glove seats are interconnected to form a ring through which the glove is donned.

27. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein each glove seat is about one inch to about three inches in length.

28. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the glove seats comprise a textured surface.

29. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the glove seats are coated to increase their coefficient of friction.

30. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the distance separating the arms is adjustable.

31. (Previously Presented) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the arms are pivotable with respect to the base.

32. (Original) The apparatus of claim 22 wherein the glove mount is pivotable with respect to the base.

33. (Canceled)

34. (Canceled)

35. (Original) An apparatus for measuring the relative difficulty in donning of a glove comprising:
a base;
a glove mount slidably engaged with the base, the glove mount comprising a moveable arm assembly terminating in a glove seat at a first end suitable for mounting the glove thereon and holding the glove in the open donnable position; and
a device for acquiring data on the effort associated with donning the glove.